

BioDistrict New Orleans
Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes
Thursday, Dec 1, 2016
935 Gravier Street, Suite 2020, New Orleans, LA

Commissioners Present: Gene D'Amour, John Hope III, and Rebecca Conwell for Andy Kopplin

Commissioners Absent: Sharon Courtney, Darrick LeBeouf, Harold Gaspard, Donna Klein, Dr. Larry Hollier, Rev. Kaseem Short, Kelisha Garrett, Roger Ogden, Kacie Kelly, Charles Rice, Jr., Christopher D'Amour, Jamie Guillory

Commissioners via Phone: None

Others: New Orleans Business Alliance staff present (Quentin L. Messer, Jr., and Amritha Appaswami), Korak Sarkar- Ochsner/NOBIC

Quorum: No quorum

- I. Call to Order**
The meeting was called to order at 9.15am CST.
- II. Roll Call**
Gene D'Amour performed a roll call of board commissioners at 9.20am. No quorum was present
- III. Adopt Agenda for Board Meeting**
Not applicable
- IV. Introduction of Guest(s)**
Korak Sarkar, Clinician-in-Residence at New Orleans Bioinnovation Center, Physician Ochsner Baptist
- V. Call for Public Input Cards on Agenda Items**
None
- VI. Adoption of BioDistrict Minutes**
Not applicable
- VII. Chairman's Report**

Chairman Gene D'Amour provided no major updates at this meeting.

VIII. Update on New Orleans Business Alliance (NOLABA) Initiatives

- a) Quentin L. Messer, Jr., CEO, and Amritha Appaswami, Director, Business Development & Strategy for the BIO Ecosystem, New Orleans Business Alliance presented recommendations for projects that the BioDistrict can undertake to develop the Bio & Health Economy, and presented a vision for the future state of the BioDistrict.

IX. Other Old Business

No other old business was presented.

X. New Business

No new business was presented.

XI. Public Comment(s)

Guest attendee provided input on examples of other medical districts in the US that the New Orleans BioDistrict could potentially emulate

XII. Adjournment

The motion to adjourn was presented by Gene D'Amour, with the approval of the commissioners present at 10.30am CST.